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The Honorable Frank R. Wolf House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Wolf:

I appreciate your letter of 19 February 1988 in which you describe the recent mark up of H.R. 3757, the Federal Employees Leave Transfer Act. I share your enthusiasm for what this measure can accomplish.

The amendment to the bill which permits the Agency to establish its own program was made necessary by the need to protect sensitive personnel information. Having gained this authority, I now take very seriously my responsibility to establish a leave transfer program which will not only meet the unique needs of our employees, but which will be exemplary for other agencies.

I am pleased to hear that the prospects for passage in the House are excellent and that the Senate is also likely to act favorably. This bill is indeed one in which everyone wins.

Sincerely yours,

Robert M./ Gates

Acting Director of Central Intelligence